

# \* \* \* United States Senator for Ohio \* \* \* \*

# Sherrod Brown

# Fighting to Protect Social Security for Two Million Ohioans

- Member of the Senate Protect Social Security Caucus
- Opposes any plan to reduce benefit levels or raise the retirement age for Social Security
- Authored the Congressional Retirement Age Act, which would prohibit Members of Congress from receiving their federal retirement benefits until they reach the same age at which everyday Americans can collect Social Security
- Author of bill to overhaul formula for calculating Social Security cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA), which would result in an additional \$795.00 a year for the average Social Security beneficiary

#### Preventing Scams Targeting Seniors & Elder Abuse

- Cosponsor of the Senior Financial Empowerment Act, which would help protect Ohio seniors from financial fraud by cracking down on mail, telemarketing, and Internet scams aimed at seniors
- Held financial literacy workshops throughout Ohio to connect seniors with resources to protect their finances and avoid fraud
- Cosponsor of the *Elder Abuse Victims Act*, which would help states develop programs responding to elder abuse and exploitation



## Senator Brown's office can help you in the following areas:

- Social Security & SSI Benefits
- **Medicare Benefits**
- Food and Drug Administration Problems
- Pension and Retirement Benefits
- Veterans Benefits & Military Service **Problems**
- Obtaining copies of military service records, discharges, and/or replacement sets of medals and awards
- **Banking Problems**
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
- **Housing Programs**
- **Passports**
- Mail Delivery and Service
- Immigration, Naturalization, Citizenship If you would like to talk to a caseworker, please call the Senator's office toll-free at: 888-896-OHIO (6446)

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#### Improving Medicare Benefits for Seniors

- Fought to provide free preventive services (such as colonoscopies and mammograms) as well as a free annual exam for more than 1.2 million Ohioans
- Saved Ohio's seniors in the so-called "donut hole" more than \$164 million on their prescription drug costs

#### Standing Up Against Medicare Privatization Schemes

 Led the opposition to a dangerous plan that would end Medicare as we know it and replace it with private vouchers which wouldn't cover most seniors' health costs



# **Quick Reference Guide**

#### **Fraud Assistance**

**Ohio Attorney General's Office:** 

Tel: 1-800-282-0515

**Internet Crime Complaint Center:** 

Url: www.ic3.gov/default.aspx

**Ohio Department of Aging:** 

Tel: 1-800-266-4346

Url: www.aging.ohio.gov/home

**Ohio Here to Help** (operated by the Ohio

Department of Job and Family Services)

Tel: 1-888-296-7541

Url: www.ohioheretohelp.ohio.gov/index.st

#### Housing

**HUD's Section 202 Program:** 

Tel: 1-800-685-8470

e-mail: Section202Questions@hud.gov

Save the Dream Ohio - Foreclosure Help:

Tel: 1-888-404-4674

Url: www.savethedream.ohio.gov

#### Medicare

CMS:

Tel: 1-800-MEDICARE

Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP):

Tel: 1-800-686-1578

e-mail: oshiipmail@insurance.ohio.gov

#### **Senior Employment Opportunities**

Department of Labor's Senior

Community Service Employment

Programs (SCSEP): Tel: 1-877-872-5627

Url: www.doleta.gov/seniors

#### Senior Corps - Volunteer Program:

Tel: 1-800-942-2677

Url: www.seniorcorps.gov

#### **Social Security**

SSA:

Tel: 1-800-772-1213

Url: www.ssa.gov/onlineservice